

I. Listing of Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An air-bag arrangement comprising an inflatable element and a gas generator configured to inflate the inflatable element, the inflatable element defining at least first and second chambers for inflation by a gas from the gas generator, a gas-supply duct being rigid and having an end-outlet aperture formed through an end-wall of the gas-supply duct so as to have a diameter smaller than the bore of the gas-supply duct, and at least one side-outlet aperture formed through a side-wall of the gas-supply duct at a position substantially adjacent the end-outlet aperture, the end-outlet being configured to direct gas out of the gas-supply duct in a first direction substantially orthogonal to a second direction of gas directed through the side-outlet aperture, wherein the gas-supply duct [[is]] extends from the gas generator through an inlet sleeve of the inflatable element and into an interior volume of the inflatable element so as arranged to direct gas from the gas generator to the first chamber through the end-outlet aperture, and direct gas from the gas generator to the second chamber through the side-outlet aperture.

2. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the gas-supply duct comprises a plurality of the side-outlet apertures formed in the side-wall.

3. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 2, wherein the plurality of side-outlet apertures is arranged to direct gas out of the gas-supply duct in a direction non-parallel with the direction of gas directed through the end-outlet aperture.

4. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the inflatable element defines a gas-flow passage interconnecting the first and second chambers, and wherein at least one of the end-outlet or side-outlet apertures is arranged to direct gas along the flow-passage.

5. (Currently Amended) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 4, wherein at least one ~~or more~~ of the end-outlet and side-outlet apertures ~~[[is]]~~ arranged to direct gas along the flow passage is arranged to direct said gas in a direction angled at approximately 45 degrees to the axis of the flow passage.

6. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the inflatable element is in the form of an inflatable curtain.

7. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 1, wherein the gas-supply duct has a curved or bent configuration.

8. (Previously Presented) An air-bag arrangement according to claim 7, wherein the gas-supply duct has first and second linear regions, the axis of the first linear region making an angle of approximately 45 degrees to the axis of the second linear region.

9. (Currently Amended) An air-bag arrangement according to claim [[8]] Z, wherein the gas-supply duct has first and second linear regions, the axis of the first linear region making an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the axis of the second linear region.